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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. A copy of the listed documents are also enclosed.

The Majani reference entitled "Low-Complexity Wavelet Filter Design for Image Compression" is discussed at page 6 of the specification.

The Daubechies, et al. reference entitled "Factoring Wavelet Transforms Into Lifting Steps" is discussed at page 2 of the specification.

FR-A-2 785 747 and U.S. Patent No. 4,852,035 were cited in a European Search Report, dated July 26, 2001 from a counterpart application. A copy of the search report is enclosed.

In addition, Applicant has obtained an English language abstract for FR-A-2 785747.

A copy of the abstract is enclosed for the Examiner's convenience and listed on the Form PTO-1449.

The Examiner's attention is also directed to the following U.S. Application:

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In accordance with 37 CFR 1.98(a)(2)(iii), a copy of the cited U.S. application is enclosed.

#### FORMAL MATTERS

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b), since a first Official Action on the merits of the subject application has not yet been issued, neither a certificate, petition nor payment of a fee is believed to be required for this Information Disclosure Statement. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee which may be required in connection with this paper to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate of this paper is enclosed.

#### CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below-listed address.

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|  | <b>FR-A-2 785 747</b> | <b>11/09/1998</b> | <b>France</b> |       |          | <b>Abstract</b>                 |
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